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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 30 March 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 65-83 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 65-83 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

This communication is responsive to Amendment, filed 03/30/2005.

Claims 65-83 are pending in this application. In the Amendment, claims 65-83 were added, and claims 1-64 were canceled.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 65-83 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Rollins et al.

("Rollins" Pub. No. : US 2002/0103721.

Per claim 65, Rollins teaches a method to facilitate user interaction with merchant web sites, the method comprising operations of:

preparing a proxy platform corresponding to a merchant web site by, performing operations comprising: planning a modified presentation of the web site including one or changes to functionality of the web site ([0056]); generating rules to fill-in purchase checkout forms of the web site with data from users' cyber wallets accessible to the proxy platform ([0045], [0122]) ;

responsive to a user's request to view a merchant web site for which a corresponding proxy platform exists, performing operations comprising:

utilizing the requested web site's proxy platform as an overlay to provide the user with the modified presentation instead of the requested web site ([0056]);

responsive to user initiation of a purchase transaction upon the requested web site, the proxy platform automatically retrieving personal data from the user's cyber wallet and entering said retrieved information upon the requested web site in accordance with the rules to complete the initiated purchase transaction ([0045]; [0114]; [0137]).

Per claim 66, Rollins teaches the method of claim 65, the utilizing operation further comprising: redirecting user requests to a proxy platform web site instead of the requested web site (fig. 7A and 7B; [0061]).

Per claim 67, Rollins teaches the method of claim 65, wherein the rules include mapping items of data from the users' cyber wallets to corresponding fields in the merchants' purchase checkout forms ([0162]).

Per claim 68, Rollins teaches the method of claim 65, wherein each cyber wallet includes data pertaining to a user and including at least finance data and shipping data ([0162]).

Per claim 69, Rollins teaches the method of claim 65, where: the modified presentation includes a quick checkout button, the operation responsive to user initiation of a purchase transaction upon the requested web site is responsive to user activation of the quick checkout button ([0162]).

Per claim 70, Rollins teaches the method of claim 65, the operations further comprising: on a predetermined schedule, checking the merchant web page to determine whether any change has occurred rendering the proxy platform at least partially invalid ([0132]; [0167]), if so, performing at least one of the following: generating an alert; re-performing at least one of the

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planning and generating operations sufficient to restore the proxy platform to a valid state ([0166]).

Per claim 71, Rollins teaches the method of claim 65, where: the operation of preparing the proxy platform comprises preparing a different merchant profile for each of multiple merchant web sites, where each merchant profile includes the modified presentation and rules applicable to that merchant, the utilizing operation comprises utilizing the proxy platform, according to the merchant profile corresponding to the requested web site, as an overlay to provide the user with the modified presentation instead of the requested web site (figs. 7A and 7B; [0171]; [0061]).

Per claim 72, Rollins teaches the method of claim 65, where the rules Include: oxy rules applicable to data transmitted from the merchant web site to the user, reqproxy rules applicable to data transmitted by the user to the merchant web site ((figs. 7A and 7B; [0171]; [0061])).

Per claim 73, Rollins teaches the method of claim 65, where the cyber wallets comprise one or more predetermined data storage sites (fig. 7A and 7B; database 722).

Claims 74-82 are rejected under the same rationale as claims 65-73 respectively.

Claim 83 is rejected under the same rationale as claim 74.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to the amendment have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

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Inquiries

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thanh T. Vu whose telephone number is (571) 272-4073. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thur and every other Fri 8:30 AM - 6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kristine L. Kincaid can be reached on (571) 272-4063. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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